

1. A process for imparting a simulated patina appearance to a copper substrate comprising the steps of:

selecting a colorant having the desired initial patina
color tone; and

producing a noncontinuous layer of said colorant on a
surface of the copper substrate to provide the appearance
of patination of the desired tone via interspersed spots
of said colorant, the remaining portion of said substrate
being exposed for natural patination.

2. The process of claim 1 wherein the step of producing comprises the step of spattering said colorant on said copper substrate surface.

3. The process of claim 2 wherein said spattering step is performed to produce non-uniform spattering of said colorant on said copper substrate surface.

4. The process of claim 3 wherein said producing step further comprises the step of mechanically removing colorant from said copper substrate surface.

5. The process of claim 4 wherein said mechanically removing step is performed to produce a non-uniform distribution of colorant spots on said copper substrate surface.

5 6. The process of claim 2 wherein said spattering step comprises painting a colorant on said copper substrate surface.

7. The process of claim 2 wherein said spattering step comprises printing a colorant on said copper substrate surface.

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8. The process of claim 2 wherein said spattering step comprises roll coating a colorant on said copper substrate surface.

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9. The process of claim 1 wherein said producing step comprises the steps of:

applying said colorant to said copper substrate surface;
and,

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mechanically and non-uniformly removing colorant from
said copper substrate surface.

10. A substrate colored according to the process of claim 1.

11. The process of claim 1 wherein said colorant is paint.

12. The process of claim 1 wherein said producing step comprises
the step of spraying said colorant on said copper substrate
surface.

13. The process of claim 1 wherein the step of producing comprises
the step of non-uniformly spraying said colorant on said
copper substrate surface.

14. The process of claim 13 wherein the step of non-uniformly
spraying comprises the step of varying the density of colorant
applied to said substrate.

15. The process of claim 13 wherein the step of non-uniformly
spraying comprises the step of varying the relative movement
of said substrate and colorant spray.

16. The process of claim 13 wherein the step of non-uniformly
spraying comprises the step of varying the volume of colorant
sprayed.

17. The process of claim 1 wherein the step of producing comprises
the step of printing said colorant on said copper substrate

surface.

18. The process of claim 17 wherein the step of printing comprises the step of screen printing.

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19. The process of claim 18 wherein the step of screen printing comprises the steps of printing multiple colors.

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20. The process of claim 1 wherein the step of producing comprises the step of roll coating said colorant on said copper substrate surface.